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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5001**

Kiyotaka MATSUKAWA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006_0119A

Serial No. 10/567,336 : Group Art Unit 1773

Filed March 29, 2006 : Examiner Hoa T. Le

SOFT MAGNETIC COMPOSITE POWDER,
PRODUCTION METHOD OF THE SAME,
AND PRODUCTION METHOD
OF SOFT MAGNETIC COMPACT : **Mail Stop Amendment**

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
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SECOND REQUEST FOR EXAMINER-INITIALED PTO-1449 FORM

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Sir:

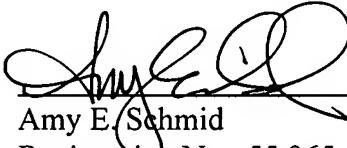
The Examiner-initialed PTO-1449 form attached to the Office Action of July 12, 2007 includes the Examiner's initials next to all of the references except JP 60-1816, which the Examiner has crossed out. There is no apparent reason for this. A copy of the reference was submitted with Applicants' IDS of February 6, 2006, and the reference is discussed in the International Search Report (in the English language), a copy of which was filed with Applicants' Transmittal Letter on February 6, 2006. The International Search Report indicates the degree of relevance of JP 60-1816. Under the circumstances, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance of the reference has been satisfied. MPEP 609.04(a), section III.

In view of these factors, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner should initial the JP 60-1816 reference, and then send a copy of the initialed form to Applicants' attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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